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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the Notice of Appeal mailed 07/08/03, Appellant submits this appeal brief in triplicate. The Commissioner is hereby requested and authorized to charge any fees necessary for the filing of the enclosed papers to deposit account number 20-0668 of Texas Instruments Incorporated.

Real Party in Interest

The real party in interest is Texas Instruments Incorporated.

Related Appeals and Interferences

No related appeals or interferences are known to Appellant.

Status of Claims

Claims 5-19 are pending in this application. Claims 5-10, 12, 14, 15, and 17-19 are the subject of this appeal.

Claims 5 and 6 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Appellant's admitted prior art.

Claims 7, 8, and 12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Appellant's admitted prior art in view of Cho (U.S. Patent No. 6,235,555).

Claims 9 and 10 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Appellant's admitted prior art.

Claims 14, 15, 17, and 19 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Appellant's admitted prior art in view of Cho.

Claim 18 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Appellant's admitted prior art and Cho as applied to Claim 14, and further in view of Hashimoto (U.S. Patent No. 6,200,824).

Claims 11, 13, and 16 stand objected to as depending from a rejected base claim, but have been indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Status of Amendments

All amendments have been entered.

Summary of Invention

One embodiment of the invention is a method for the manufacture of an insulation film 10 for providing an insulation substrate for carrying a

semiconductor chip 90 of a semiconductor package. The method includes the steps of: providing an insulation film 10 having two rows of sprocket holes 12 comprising a plurality of sprocket holes formed at a pitch L along both edges of the insulation film; and forming a two-dimensional array of through holes 14 in said insulation film between the rows of sprocket holes, each through hole in said array spaced from adjacent through holes by a pitch p (see Figure 2 and the text referring to Figures 1, 2, and 3 on pages 7 and 8 of the instant specification).

Issues

- 1. Whether Claims 5 and 6 are patentable under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) over Appellant's admitted prior art.
- 2. Whether Claims 7, 8, and 12 are patentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Appellant's admitted prior art in view of Cho (U.S. Patent No. 6,235,555).
- 3. Whether Claims 9 and 10 are patentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Appellant's admitted prior art.
- 4. Whether Claims 14, 15, 17, and 19 are patentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Appellant's admitted prior art in view of Cho.
- 5. Whether Claim 18 is patentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Appellant's admitted prior art and Cho as applied to Claim 14, and further in view of Hashimoto (U.S. Patent No. 6,200,824).

Grouping of Claims

Claims 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, and 18 stand or fall together, but as a group these claims stand or fall independently of any other claim. Claim 6 stands or falls separately from any other claim. Claims 15 and 17 stand or fall together, but as a group these claims stand or fall independently of any other claim. Claim 19 stands or falls independently of any other claim.

Argument

1. Claims 5 and 6 are patentable under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) over Appellant's admitted prior art.

Claim 5 includes the step of "forming a two-dimensional array of through holes in said insulation film between the rows of sprocket holes, each through hole in said array spaced from adjacent through holes by a pitch p." Appellant's admitted art does not include such a step. The Examiner relies on the following sentence in the instant disclosure for the basis of the rejection: [b]eneath the region of this circuit pattern 114, multiple through holes are formed prior to formation of this circuit (not shown in the figure)." The Examiner's reasoning is that Appellant in the quoted sentence discloses the use of at least two through holes, that the at least two through holes are spaced two-dimensionally from one another, and that therefore the two through holes define an array. However, Appellant has claimed "forming a two-dimensional array of through holes", not spacing through holes two-dimensionally. The plain meaning of "array" is "[a] rectangular arrangement of quantities in rows and columns, as in a matrix" (Webster's II New Riverside University Dictionary, Houghton Mifflin Co., 1984, page 126). describing the through holes as being formed in a two-dimensional array, Appellant has specified that the holes are in an arrangement of more than one row and more than one column, whereas a one-dimensional array would have only one row or one column. Appellant respectfully submits that one skilled in the art would appreciate this distinction. Since Appellant's admitted art does not teach or suggest all of the limitations of Claim 5, Appellant respectfully submits that Claim 5 is patentable over the admitted art.

Claim 6 depends from Claim 5 and is therefore patentable over the admitted art for at least the reasons presented above. In addition, Claim 6 includes the feature "wherein the pitch L and the pitch p satisfy the following equation: m p = n L wherein p and p are integers that satisfy the equation p

- *m.*" Appellant's admitted art does not teach or suggest through holes in any such arrangement. Therefore, Appellant respectfully submits that Claim 6 is patentable over that art.
- 2. Claims 7, 8, and 12 are patentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Appellant's admitted prior art in view of Cho (U.S. Patent No. 6,235,555).

Claims 7 and 8 depend from Claim 5. Claim 12 depends from Claim 9. Both Claims 5 and 9 include the step of "forming a two-dimensional array of through holes in said insulation film between the rows of sprocket holes, each through hole in said array spaced from adjacent through holes by a pitch p." The shortcomings of Appellant's admitted art have been pointed out above. Cho, cited for its teaching of sprocket holes, does not teach or suggest the forming of a two-dimensional array of through holes as claimed. Since neither Appellant's admitted art nor Cho, taken individually or in combination, teaches or suggests all of the claimed features, Appellant respectfully submits that Claims 5 and 9 are patentable over the cited combination of references. Claims 7, 8, and 12 depend from Claims 5 and 9 and are therefore patentable over the cited combination of references at least by virtue of their dependence from patentable base claims.

3. Claims 9 and 10 are patentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Appellant's admitted prior art.

Claim 9 includes the step of "forming a two-dimensional array of through holes in said insulation film between the rows of sprocket holes, each through hole in said array spaced from adjacent through holes by a pitch p." As argued above in Appellant's response to the rejection of Claim 5, Appellant's admitted art does not teach or suggest such a step. Therefore, Appellant respectfully submits that Claim 9 is patentable over the admitted art. Claim 10 depends from Claim 9 and is therefore patentable over the admitted art for at least the reasons presented above.

4. Claims 14, 15, 17, and 19 are patentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Appellant's admitted prior art in view of Cho.

Claim 14 includes the step of "providing an insulation film having rows of sprocket holes at a pitch *L* along the edges of said film and a two-dimensional array of through holes in said film between the rows of sprocket holes, said through holes arranged relative to one another in said array at a pitch *p*." As argued above with respect to the rejection of Claims 7, 8, and 12, neither Appellant's admitted art nor Cho, taken individually or in combination, teaches or suggests such a step. Therefore, Appellant respectfully submits that Claim 14 is patentable over the cited combination. Claims 15, 17 and 19 depend from Claim 14 and are therefore patentable over the cited combination for at least the reasons presented above.

In addition, Claims 15 and 17 include the feature of through holes arranged relative to one another in said array at a pitch *p* and continuously along and transversely across said film within circuit pattern regions on said film. Neither Appellant's admitted art nor Cho, taken individually or in combination, teach or suggest holes arranged in an array at a pitch p and continuously along and transversely across a film. Therefore, Appellant submits that Claims 15 and 17 are patentable over the cited combination of references.

Claim 19 includes the step of "depositing metal in selected ones of said number of through holes." The Examiner's rejection of Claim 19 is based on Appellant's alleged teaching of plating the entire surface of the insulating film with metal after the through holes have been formed. A teaching that metal is deposited on the surface of a film does not suggest that metal is deposited in through holes formed in the film. Therefore, Appellant respectfully submits that Claim 19 is patentable over the cited combination of references.

5. Claim 18 is patentable under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) over Appellant's admitted prior art and Cho as applied to Claim 14, and further in view of Hashimoto (U.S. Patent No. 6,200,824).

Claim 18 depends from Claim 14, which is patentable over the combination of Appellant's art with Cho for at least the reasons presented above. Hashimoto does not cure the deficiency of Appellant's admitted art and Cho with respect to Claim 14. In view of the dependency of Claim 18 from Claim 14, Appellant respectfully submits that Claim 18 is patentable over the cited combination for at least the reasons presented above.

Conclusion

In view of the above, Appellant appeals for the reversal of the rejections and allowance of Claims 5-10, 12, 14, 15, and 17-19.

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APPENDIX

Claims on Appeal

5. (previously presented) A method for manufacture of an insulation film for providing an insulation substrate for carrying a semiconductor chip of a semiconductor package comprising the steps of:

providing an insulation film having two rows of sprocket holes comprising a plurality of sprocket holes formed at a pitch L along both edges of the insulation film; and

forming a two-dimensional array of through holes in said insulation film between the rows of sprocket holes, each through hole in said array spaced from adjacent through holes by a pitch p.

- 6. (previously presented) The method for manufacture of an insulation film according to claim 5 wherein the pitch L and the pitch p satisfy the following equation: m p = n L wherein p and p are integers that satisfy the equation p < m.
- 7. (previously presented) The method for manufacture of an insulation film according to claim 6 wherein the step of forming the through holes further comprises the steps of:

forming the through holes by collective punching out at the effective sprocket hole formation width of the through holes along the transverse direction of the insulation film in a region of length n L along the length-wise direction of the insulation film:

moving the insulation film a length $n\ L$ in the length-wise direction by means of the sprocket holes; and

repeating these two steps alternately.

8. (previously presented) The method for manufacture of an insulation film according to claim 6 wherein the method further comprises a step of forming a two-dimensional array of circuit patterns upon the insulation film according to

size of the semiconductor package and a for-plating-electricity-supply-use conductor pattern electrically connected with the array of circuit patterns.

9. (previously presented) A method for manufacture of a semiconductor package comprising the steps of: providing an insulation film, forming two rows of sprocket holes comprising a plurality of sprocket holes formed at a pitch *L* along both edges of the insulation film, forming a two-dimensional array of through holes between the rows of sprocket holes, each through hole in said array spaced from adjacent through holes by a pitch *p*, forming a two-dimensional plurality of circuit patterns upon the insulation film according to size of the semiconductor package, forming a for-plating-electricity-supply-use conductor pattern electrically connected with the plurality of circuit patterns having a main line surrounding a perimeter of the plurality of circuit patterns and a sub-line electrically connecting each of the circuit patterns to the main line;

mounting a semiconductor chip within a respective prescribed region of each circuit pattern of the insulation film and electrically connecting the semiconductor chip with the circuit pattern;

performing resin sealing for partitioning off each region enclosed by the main line of the conductor pattern; and

cutting apart into individual semiconductor packages by dicing along the sub-lines of the insulation film.

- 10. (previously presented) The method for manufacture of a semiconductor package according to claim 9 wherein the method further comprises the step of plating each of the circuit patterns upon the insulation film using the for-plating-electricity-supply-use conductor pattern.
- 12. (previously presented) The method for manufacture of an insulation film according to claim 7 wherein the method further comprises a step of forming a two-dimensional array of circuit patterns upon the insulation film according to

size of the semiconductor package and a for-plating-electricity-supply-use conductor pattern electrically connected with the plurality of circuit patterns.

14. (previously presented) A method of packaging a semiconductor device, comprising the steps of:

providing an insulation film having rows of sprocket holes at a pitch L along the edges of said film and a two-dimensional array of through holes in said film between the rows of sprocket holes, said through holes arranged relative to one another in said array at a pitch p;

mounting a semiconductor chip over a number of said through holes; sealing said semiconductor chip and a portion of said insulation film in resin; and

cutting said insulation film surrounding said semiconductor chip to release said resin-sealed chip from the remainder of said insulation film.

15. (previously presented) The method of Claim 14, wherein said step of providing an insulation film comprises:

providing an insulation film having rows of sprocket holes at a pitch L along the edges of said film, and a two-dimensional array of through holes in said film between the rows of sprocket holes, said through holes arranged relative to one another in said array at a pitch *p* and continuously along and transversely across said film within circuit pattern regions on said film.

17. (previously presented) The method of Claim 14, wherein said step of providing an insulation film comprises:

providing an insulation film having rows of sprocket holes at a pitch L along the edges of said film, and a two-dimensional array of through holes in said film between the rows of sprocket holes, said through holes arranged relative to one another in said array at a pitch *p* and continuously along and transversely across said film.

- 18. (previously presented) The method of Claim 14, further comprising the step of depositing solder in selected ones of said number of through holes.
- 19. (previously presented) The method of Claim 14, further comprising the step of depositing metal in selected ones of said number of through holes.

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aromatric (aromatik) adj. 1. Having a fragrant, sweet-smelling. or spicy aroma < aromatic incense > 2. Chem. Of, relating to, or containing the six-carbon ring typical of the benzene series and related organic groups. —n. An aromatic plant or substance. —aromatic-cally adv. —aromatic-ness n.

aromatic-i-ty (ăr'a-matis'i-te, a-ro'ma-) n. Aromatic quality or character, esp. the distinctive structure or properties of the aromatic

chemical compounds.

a-ro-martize (>-rô'm>-tiz') vt. -tized, -tiz-ing, -tiz-es. 1. To make aromatic. 2. Chem. To subject to a reaction that produces an aromatic compound -aro'matiza'tion n.

ATOSE (2-10Z) V. p.t. of ARISE.

around (2-round') adv. [ME, in the round, in circumference.] 1. On or to all sides or in all directions. 2. In a circle or circular motion. 3. To each member of a group <Will the cake go around?>
4. In or toward the opposite direction, position, or attitude. 5. From one place to another <travel around> 6. Informal. In or close to one's present position < stood around for hours > 7. Informal. To a specific place or area < Come around next week > 8. Informal. To a normal or desired state. 9. Informal. Approximately < around two -prep. 1. On all sides of. 2. So as to enclose, surround, or envelop. 3. About the circumference or periphery of: ENCIRCLING. 4. About the central point of <the moon's motion around the earth > 5. In or to various places within or near < looking around the store > 6. On or to the farther side of < the farmhouse around the bend > 7. Informal. Approximately at: NEAR < vacations around the Catskills > —get around. Informal. 1. To deal or cope with successfully. 2. To succeed in evading or circumventing. —get around to. Informal. To find time to give one's attention to.

CLOCK. a TOUSE (>rouz') v. a roused, a rousing, a rouses. [< ROUSE, on the model of such pairs as rise, arise.] —vt. 1. To awaken from or as if from sleep. 2. To stir up: excite or provoke. -vi. To be or become

around-the-clock (>round'th>klok') adj. var. of ROUND-THE-

aroused. —arous'al (a-rou'zal) n. —arous'er n. arpeggiare (är-pēj'ē-ō', pēj'ō) n., pl. -os. [Ital. < arpeggiare, to play the harp < arpa, harp, of Germanic orig.] Mus. 1. Production of the tones of a chord in rapid succession rather than simultaneously. 2. A

chord played or sung in arpeggio. —arpeg'gi-oed' adj. arpent (ār-pān') n. [Fr. < OFr. < Lat. arepennis, half acre, of Gaulish orig.] An old French unit of land measurement equivalent to approx, an acre

arque bus (arka-bas, kwa-) n. var. of HARQUEBUS.

arrack (ăr'ak, arăk') n. [Ar. 'araq, fruit juice.] A strong alcoholic drink of the Middle East and nearby regions of the Orient, usu. distilled from rice or molasses.

arraign (2-ran') vt. -raigned, -raign-ing, -raigns. [ME arreinen < OFr. araisnier < VLat. *adrationare : Lat. ad-, to + Lat. ratio, account. —see REASON.] 1. Law. To call before a court to answer to an indictment. 2. Accuse : charge. -arraign'er n. -arraign'-

arrange (2-rānj') v. -ranged, -rang-ing, -rang-es. [ME arengen < Ofr. arengier: d., to (< Lat. ad) + rengier, to put in a line < reng. line, of Germanic orig.] -vt. 1. To put into a specific order or relation: DISPOSE. 2. To plan or prepare for. 3. To agree about: SETTLE. 4. Mus. To reset (music) for other instruments or voices or for another style of performance. -vi. 1. To come to an agreement. 2. To make preparations: PLAN. —arrang'er n.

arrangement (2-rani/mont) n. 1. The act or process of arranging. 2. The condition, manner, or result of being arranged: DISPOSAL. 3. A collection of things that have been arranged. 4. often arrange ments. A provision or plan made in preparation for an undertaking. 5. An agreement or settlement: DISPOSITION. 6. Mus. a. An adaptation of a composition for other instruments or voices or to another style or level of difficulty. **b.** A composition so adapted

arrant (âr'ant) adi. [Var. of ERRANT.] Completely such: THOR-OUGHGOING <an arrant liar>—ar'rant-ly adv.

arras (ar'as) n. [ME, after Arras, France.] 1. A tapestry. 2. A wall hanging.

array (2-13') vt. -rayed, -raying, -rays. [ME arraien < Off. areer < VLat. *arredare, of Germanic orig.] 1. To arrange or draw up, as troops in battle order. 2. To clothe in finery; ADORN. -n. 1. An orderly arrangement, esp. of troops. 2. An impressive display of numerous persons or objects <"a heathenish array of monstrous clubs and spears" —Melville> 3. Splendid attire: FINERY. 4. Math. a. A. rectangular arrangement of quantities in rows and columns, as in a matrix. b. Numerical data linearly ordered by magnitude. 5. An arrangement of computer memory elements in one or several planes. ar-ray-al (2-ra'2) n. 1. The act or process of arraying 2 Something

arrearage (2-rir li) n. 1. The state of being in arrears. 2. An amount owed in payment.

arream (a-fir!) pl.n. [< ME arrere, behind < OFr. arere < LLat. ad retro, backward: Lat. ad, to + Lat. retro, behind.] 1. An unpaid and overdue debt or unfulfilled obligation. 2. The state of being behind in fulfilling contracted obligations or payments.

arrest (o-rest') vt. -rest-ed, -rest-ing, -resta. [ME aresten < OFr. arester < VLat. *arrestare : Lat. ad-, to + Lat. restare, to stand still

(re-, back + stare, to stand)] 1. To stop or check the monongress, growth, or spread of <arrest a cold> 2. To seize and under authority of the law 3. To capture and hold briefly (e.g. attention): ENGAGE.—n. 1. The act of arresting or the state of a arrested. 2. A device for arresting motion, esp. of a moving.

Detained in legal custody.—arrester n. (re-, back + stare, to stand).] 1. To stop or check the motion rest'ment n

* 8yn8: Arrest, Apprehend, BAG, BUST, COLLAR, DETAIN, PICK UP, PINCH, RUN IN, SEIZE v. core meaning: to take into custody < was arrested for car theft>

arresting (2-res'ting) adj. Attracting and holding the attention -ar-rest'ing-ly adv.

arrhythmia (2-rīth'mē-2) n. [Gk. arruthmia, lack of rhyth arruthmos, unrhythmical : a-, without + rhuthmos, rhythma regularity in the force or rhythm of the heartbeat

arrhythmic (>-rith'mik) also arrhythmical (-mi-kal) Lacking rhythm or rhythmic regularity. -ar-rhyth'mi-cal-ly arriere-ban (ar'ē-ar-ban', -ban') n. [Fr. < OFr. ariere-ban af ation of herban, of Germanic orig.] 1. A royal proclamation which medieval French vassals were summoned to military serv 2. The vassals summoned by an arrière-ban.

arri-ère-pen-sée (ăr'ê-âr'pan-să') n. [Fr. : arrière, in back + n

sée, thought.] An ulterior motive.

arris (aris) n., pl. arris or -ris-ea. [Alteration of OFr. areste, rid—see ARETE.] The sharp edge or ridge formed by two surfaces me ing at an angle, as in an architectural molding.

arrival (2-17'val) n. 1. The act or process of arriving. 2. One to arrives or has arrived. 3. Attainment of a goal as a result of a proc

arrive (2-rīv') vi -rived, -riving, -rives. [ME ariven < OFr. ari < VLat. *arripare : Lat. ad-, to + Lat. ripa, shore.] 1. To reach destination. 2 To take place < The big day finally arrived > 3. achieve success or recognition. -arrive at. To attain through a p cess or effort. -arriv'er n.

arriviste (a-re-vest') n., pl. -vistes (-vest') [Fr < arriver, to arri < OFr. ariver.] A social climber: UPSTART.

arro-ba (2-ro-ba) n. [Sp. and Port. < Ar. ar-rub', the quarter (c quintal).] 1. A former unit of weight in Spanish-speaking countri equal to approx. 25 pounds. 2. A former unit of weight in Portugue speaking countries, equal to approx. 32 pounds. 3. A former liquid measure in Spanish-speaking countries, having varying value but prox. equal to 17 quarts when used to measure wine.

arrogant (ar-gent) adi. [ME arrogaunt < OFt. < Lat. arrogant pr. part. of arrogate, to arrogate.] 1. Over convinced of one's of importance: HAUGHTY. 2. Marked by or arising from haughty.

importance.—arro-gance (-gons) n.—arro-gant-ly adv.

* syms: Arrogant, Cavalier, Disdainful, Haugh
HIGH-AND-MIGHTY, HOITY-TOITY, INSOLENT, LOFTY, LORDLY, OV BEARING, OVERWEENING, PRESUMPTUOUS, PROUD, SUPERCILIOUS, PERIOR adj. core meaning: over convinced of one's own superior and importance <an arrogant, selfish person>

arrogate (ar's-gat') vt. -gat-ed. -gat-ing. -gates. [Lat. arrotal arrogat: ad-, to + rogate, to ask.] 1. To claim, take, or assume to oneself without right. 2. To attribute to another unjustifiably. ro-ga'tion n. -ar'ro-ga'tive adj. -ar'ro-ga'tor n.

arron-disse-ment (ä-rôn'dês-män') n. [Fr. < arrondir, to r out: d, to (< Lat. dd) + rondir, to make round.] 1. The chief admistrative subdivision of a department in France. 2. A municipal division of some large French cities.

arrow (ăr'ō) n. [ME arwe < OE arewe.] 1. A thin, straight shaft to shooting from a bow, usu. made of light wood with a pointed head. one end and flight-stabilizing feathers at the other. 2. Somethic similar to an arrow in form, function, or speed. 3. A sign or symplectic similar to an arrow in form, function, or speed. shaped like an arrow and used to indicate direction.

arrow-head (arô-hêd') n. 1. The pointed, removable striking of an arrow. 2. Something shaped like an arrowhead, as a mark in of an arrow. 2. Something shaped like an arrowhead, as a mark mark cating a limit on a drawing. 3. An aquatic or marsh plant of the genus Sagittaria, bearing arrowhead-shaped leaves and white flow arrowroot (ar'o-root', -root') n. [So called because it was used] draw poison from arrow wounds.] 1. A tropical American plant, ranta arundinacea, with roots that yield an edible starch. starch from the arrowroot and from certain plants of the gene

Manihot, Curcuma, and Tacca.
arrow-wood (aro-wood') n. A small shrub of the genus burnum, having straight tough stems once used to make arrows to arrow worm n. A small, slender marine worm of the phyling Chaetognatha, with prehensile bristles on each side of the mouth arroy 0 (2-roi 0) n., pl -oe. [Sp., ult < Lat arrugia, mineshall. A deep gully cut by an intermittent stream. 2. A brook or creating the control of the cont 1. A deep gully cut by an intermittent stream. 2. A brook or crearesenal (arso-nol) n. [Ital. arsenale < Ar. dar-as-sindah : dhouse + as, the + sindah, manufacture < sanda, he made.] t governmental establishment for the storing, manufacturing, of pairing of war materiel, as arms and ammunition 2. A stock of we

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ore or supply <had

(Ir'so-nit, -nat') n. A sa (ar so-lik) n. [ME arsenii Argliow orpiment < Pers. 2 Colonous metallic elemen devices and various a the devices, and various a 2. Arsenic trioxide. arsenic, esp. with valence acid (ār-sēn'īk) n. A poi pound, HaAsO4, used to ma (ar-sèn'i-kəl) adı. Ot don or drug containing arser trioxide (är sə-nik) n. de (ir'sənīd') n. A compo de element.

opyrite (är'sə-nö-pi'rīt') intially FeS₂-FeAs₂ intially are of ARCHD

(Irsen', ar'sen') n. [ARS(E) try poisonous gas, AsHa, use lid-state doping agent, and in Alfasis) n., pl. -ees (-sēz') [L. d. beat < aeirein, to lift] I. T. H quantitative verse. 2. The Hitual verse. 3. Mus. The una h (Arsan) n. [AN < OFr. argu: The crime of maliciousl ief or of burning one's own pro her insurance.—ar son ist name mine (ärs-fēn's-mēn ar yellow hygroscopic po

ded to treat syphilis.

(irt) n. [ME < OFr. < Lat. a. ment, alter, or counteract the ement or production of soun elements in a way that affect beautiful in a graphic or p tivities. c. The product of todo or execution, as founce. A field or category of art, a citific branch of learning, a citific branch of learning. the of baking > b. A not principles and methods < ic skill in adept performance tive faculties that cannot be le telling> 8. a. arts. Artful str strative material in a printed (art, ärt when stressed) v. [ME present indicative of BE.

deco (děk'o) n. [Fr. Art Déco ns Décoratifs et Industriels Frince.] An early 20th-cent. metric designs and bold colors. tric designs and bold colors. fact (är'tə-fakt') n. var. of A (är-tel') n. [R. artel' < Ital. a A cooperative enterprise of ag

mis (ärto-mis) n. [Gk.] Gk and the moon and twin siste:

mi-i-a (ăr'tə-mizh'ê-ə, -mi wort < OFr. < Lat. artemisia < 0 in it was sacred.] A plant of the forword word word.

rial (är-tîr'ē-al) adi 1 Of l he hings. 3. Of or designating a flow with many branches ly adv.

blood) into arterial blood -ar-te'ri-al-i-za'tion n. rio- pref. [Gk. artério- < art

ri-og-ra-phy (ar-tir e-ografollowing injection of a rac ri-ole (ar-tir'ē-ōl') n [NLa

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